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SUBJ: VIETNAMESE DIPLOMATS: REQUEST FOR ASYLUM

REF: A) STAT 104017 B) ABIDJAN 3700 C) LONDON 6784

1. THE VIETNAMESE EMBASSY CONSISTS OF:

A. NGUYEN VAN LOC, 4 JULY 1915, LONG-AN, VS, AMBASSADOR TO IVORY COAST. WIFE IS PRESENTLY IN PARIS; THREE CHILDREN IN LONDON AND ONE IN US. ALL STUDYING.

B. DOUNG HONG TAO, 3 SEPTEMBER 1922, HUE, VS, POLITICAL COUNSELOR, MARRIED WITH THREE DEPENDENTS. HAS BEEN WITH FOREIGN SERVICE SINCE 1955 SERVING IN TOKYO, BANGKOK, PARIS, BANGUI, SAIGON, AND HERE.

C. NGUYEN DIEN, 2 JUNE 1922, THAU-THIEN, VS, FIRST SECRETARY. MARRIED WITH SIX CHILDREN. SERVED IN TAIPEI AS FIRST SECRETARY.

D. NGUYEN THOI LAI, 25 FEB 1924, CAN-THO, VS, ATTACHE. MARRIED WITH ONE SON HERE AND FOUR CHILDREN IN SAIGON.

E. NGO DINH THANG, 5 JAN 1928, SON TAY, NV, TYPIST. MARRIED WITH ONE SON.

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F. FE BA THANG, 8 OCTOBER 1917, HUE, VS, PRESS & INFORMATION

ATTACHE, FAMILY IN SAIGON.

G. TO VAN TRAM, 7 MAY 1934, LONG AN, VS, TYPIST, SINGLE.

H. NGUYEN XUAM CAN, 23 OCTOBER 1937, GIA LAM, VN, TYPIST SINGLE.

2. ALL MAY REQUEST ASYLUM IN U.S. AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR U.S. TRIP.

3. THE VIETNAMESE EMBASSY IS IN TOUCH WITH GOIC AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS; BUT NO OFFICIAL RESPONSE HAS BEEN RECEIVED.

4. NONE OF THE ABOVE HAVE AMCIT OR PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIEN RELATIVES THROUGH WHOM THEY CAN QUALIFY FOR IV STATUS.

5. THE VIETNAMESE AMBASSADOR PLANS TO LEAVE MAY FOR FRANCE. HAS REQUESTED "DROIT SEJOUR" VISA FROM FRENCH EMBASSY AND WILL ASK FOR "DROIT D'EXILE" IN FRANCE. HE WILL ALSO TALK WITH BRITISH EMBASSY ABOUT ASYLUM THERE. WILL NOT STAY IN IVORY COAST SINCE HE CANNOT FIND WORK HERE. THUS, IF HE CANNOT STAY IN FRANCE OR UK, HE PLANS TO REQUEST ASYLUM IN U.S.  
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